

General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 5028

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AN ACT CONCERNING THE ALIGNMENT OF COMMON CORE STATE STANDARDS WITH COLLEGE CURRICULUM AND BRIDGES BETWEEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2012) Each local and regional
- 2 board of education, in collaboration with the Board of Regents for
- 3 Higher Education and the Board of Trustees for The University of
- 4 Connecticut, shall develop a plan to align Connecticut's common core
- 5 state standards with college level programs at Connecticut public
- 6 institutions of higher education not later than one year after
- 7 Connecticut first implements said standards.
- 8 Sec. 2. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) On or before July 1, 2013,
- 9 the Department of Education, in collaboration with the Board of
- 10 Regents for Higher Education and the Board of Trustees of The
- 11 University of Connecticut, shall develop a pilot program to incorporate
- 12 Connecticut's common core state standards into the curricula of the
- 13 priority school districts, as described in section 10-266p of the general
- 14 statutes, and, for the school year commencing July 1, 2013, to the
- school year ending June 30, 2018, inclusive, align such curricula with
- 16 college level programs offered by the constituent units of the state
- 17 system of higher education.

(b) The pilot program shall require the local or regional board of education for a priority school district to partner with the Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges on behalf of a regional community-technical college, the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University System on behalf of a state university, or the Board of Trustees for The University of Connecticut on behalf of the university to (1) evaluate and align curricula, (2) test students in grade eleven using a college readiness assessment developed or adopted by the Department of Education, (3) use the results of such tests to assess college readiness, and (4) offer a plan of support to any student in grade twelve who is found to be not ready for college based on such student's results on the college readiness assessment. Such local or regional board of education shall annually report such test results and assessments to the Department of Education, the Board of Regents for Higher Education and The University of Connecticut.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:				
sections.				
Section 1	July 1, 2012	New section		
Sec. 2	from passage	New section		

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

Changes were made in sections 1, 2 and 3 for the purpose of clarity and consistency throughout the bill and with the general statutes.

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